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Heagney Honored by UConn



Simsbury Legislator Recognized for Role in Refining UConn 2000 Plan

HARTFORD- State Representative Rob Heagney (R-Simsbury) was recently recognized in an informal ceremony and reception held recently at the University of

Connecticut for his leadership role in higher education, as well as his support for UConn during the 2006 legislative session.

Philip E. Austin, President of UConn was on hand to thank Representative Heagney for his hard work during the session, which helped the University become the top-ranked public university in New England. "I am particularly grateful for your role in crafting the UConn 2000 oversight legislation. Thanks to your hard work, the bill enacted this session is an appropriate response to the issues that arose regarding implementation of several construction projects," noted Austin concerning Heagney's work.

"I am always interested in doing what I can in the General Assembly to see the University of Connecticut continue to excel and develop," said Representative Heagney. "The single most critical investment we can make in the future of our state is in education. UConn has recognized the work several of us in the legislature who have made UConn a priority. I know that we always recognize the great work UConn has done in turning out great leaders, scholars and athletes over the years"

Heagney noted the University's new Center for Entrepreneurship as one of the ways Connecticut was keeping its flagship school ahead of the cutting edge. "This center will help train the business leaders of tomorrow while encouraging and developing critical skills and experience to be a success in business. These future leaders will one day have a big impact on Connecticut's economy."

The reception was held on Wednesday, June 14th at the Alumni Center on the Storrs campus of UConn, which is celebrating its 125th year of educating.